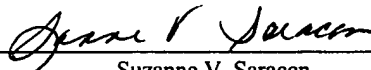


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Dear Examiner:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and initial examination, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.